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Stoddard County, Missouri - The 2016 Back-to-School Sales Tax Holiday will be the weekend of August 5th - 7th, but not all counties and cities are participating.

Both the cities of Dexter and Bernie will participate in this year's event, while Bloomfield will not. Stoddard County will not be participating so you will see a one-cent county sales tax on your receipt if you buy local. Shoppers in Dexter will not be charged the 1.875% city sales tax.

By state law, the sales tax holiday begins on the first Friday in August and continues through Sunday. This year it will begin at 12:01 a.m. on Friday and run through Sunday, August 7th.

During this time the Missouri state sales tax of 4.225% will not be assessed on certain purchases, including school supplies, some clothing, and personal computers. Clothing that does not have a value of more than \$100 and will include footwear. **School supplies not to exceed \$50 per purchase** that are used in standard classrooms. Personal computers that do not cost more than \$3,500 and computer software that is considered a school supply and is less than \$350 will be tax free. No personal accessories such as jewelry, headphones, furniture or bedding will not be tax free.

If in doubt call the store you plan to shop and ask what taxes they will be charging.

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